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August 2025

**PALS Quilt Guild Meeting
August 4, 2025 (ANNUAL
PICNIC)**

Social Time 3:00 PM

Potluck 6:00 PM

ELKS Park

2024 PALS Executive Board

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Donation Quilts

Suzette Mattson & Deb Taylor

Hospitality

Kay Williams

Library *OPEN

Lighthouse Liaison *OPEN

***please see Barb Reynolds if
you are interested in filling any
of these positions**

Next Board Meeting

August 25, 2025

Next Newsletter Deadline

August 15, 2025

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From Your Chair – Barb Reynolds

Welcome to August! The heat is getting to me! As I get older, I don't enjoy splashing in the waves, broiling on the beach, or crisping in the sun. I enjoy air conditioning, comfortable humidity, and a cool drink. As a kid, I didn't worry about skin cancer, wrinkles, or dehydration. Summer was the time of freedom. As long as chores were done, and Mom knew who we were with, the days stretched out before us. Be home at 6 for dinner, and in when the streetlights went on.

I sometimes forget I have that freedom, as I get involved with hobbies, commitments, clubs, and cleaning. (Can you tell I hate cleaning?) Take time to meet with friends, connect with past friends, and family. This year has been great to have open houses and reunions to see those that live close and far away.

I am still working on my UFO challenge. I had to force myself to work on a queen size quilt for my camper. Halfway through, I decided I didn't like how it was turning out. It is too busy, but the process was too far along to change much. I didn't want it to end on my UFO pile, so I will finish it. But after taking the class with Elsie this month, I have another project to finish.

Looking forward to our August picnic. Directions are printed in the newsletter. After entering Elks Park, follow the road to the end. Our picnic area is very close to the lake, with a close view of the lake. It is a great time to try out that new recipe you heard about, and a great time to make new friends.

Just a few weeks to finish Shop Hop. Can't wait to see new projects and kits! See you soon.

Meeting Cancellation Information

In case of inclement weather, notifications will be sent to WZZM-TV and WOOD-TV stations. If possible, an email blast will be sent to members.

Resources

Kathy Preston

August 4 – 6 pm Picnic at Elks Park. Come as early as 3 pm to socialize and sew. Bring a dish to pass and your own beverage. Plates, utensils & napkins are provided. Outlets are available for crock pots. Bring serving utensils for your dish to share.

Please plan to play Left Right Center. Bring six jelly roll strips 2.5 x width of fabric (any fabric) packaged separately in baggies. If you want to play more games bring six more strips.

Directions to Elks Park @5447 Lake Harbor Rd: From Muskegon take Henry Street South to Porter Rd (corner by Pic 'n Pack), turn right, continue to Lake Harbor Rd, turn Left, Elks Park will be on your right. Continue back on the road past all the campers to reach the picnic pavilion.

From US 31: Take Exit 107 Pontaluna Rd, turn West onto Pontaluna Rd. Pontaluna Rd will turn into Lake Harbor, Elks Park will be on your Left.

August 9—Kathy Jolman will be presenting a class on Indigo Dyeing from 10-2. There is a cost of \$65. Contact Kay Wilton (616 430-0732) to pre-register and obtain a list of items needed for this class.

September 8 – PALS Members are invited to attend a joint meeting hosted by Lighthouse Quilt Guild at 6:30 pm - **Anatomy of an Improv Quilt by Cindy Grisdela** (*Please wear your PALS Name Tag to attend*). The workshop and evening meeting will be held at the Methodist Church of the Dunes in Grand Haven, MI

Monday Sept 8th Workshop 9:30am to 4pm - Artful Improv with Cindy Grisdela. Learn to create your own quilts without a pattern using improvisational piecing techniques. Students will learn to let go of “rules” and piece blocks in an intuitive, free form fashion. We will explore contemporary Improv log cabin style blocks, Improv Curves, and Angled Stripes, plus Insets and Curved Strips. The cost is \$55 & is due upon registration for the class. You may register with Ann Caris at or near the PALS resource table in July.

October 6 – Presentation of Donation Quilts. Jill Twiss McFadden, Quilted Memories INC will be our speaker (topic to be determined).

November 3 – Membership Renewal Month, Presentation of 2026 Board Members

Program - *Rescue (verb) definition: Keep from being lost or abandoned.* **Lucinda Herring** will present her program **Rescued Vintage Quilts**. She will show us the “After” quilted items first. Then she will let us see what they looked like when they were found.

December 1 – Farewell to the 2025 Board, Elections & Presentation of New 2026 Board, Christmas Potluck, Members’ 2025 Panel Quilt Challenge Trunk Show and Member Show & Share.

2025 Programs at Lighthouse Quilt Guild

August 11– Nova Montgomery, Texas – lecture on 1933 World’s Fair

September 8– Dual meeting with PALS Quilt Guild

October 13–Guild Schoolhouse presentations

November 10–Terry Rowland via Zoom

December 8–Holiday Potluck and other fun

PALS Social Sewing Days

Work on unfinished class projects or UFOs. If you need help or don’t remember instructions from classes, there will be plenty of help available.

Location: *Quilted Memories, 9919 Business US-31, Montague, MI*

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

2025 Dates:

***August 9 Cancelled, store closed**

September 13 Saturday

September 30 Tuesday

October 11 Saturday

October 28 Tuesday

November 8 Saturday

November 25 Tuesday

December 13 Saturday

December 30 Tuesday

Cost: \$5 payable to Quilted Memories, on the day of activity. Bring lunch and your projects.

Membership

LuAnne Sloop and Sue Saladin

July meeting attendance: 69 members attended, 2 renewals, 5 NEW, 6 guests

Welcome Back: Rhesa Martin and Connie Pluger

Welcome to PALS: Jean Stein, Rosie Balberde, Linda Johnston, Cathy Haywood, and Jean Campbell

Members: 120 current members

Don't forget to bring a friend and help get our membership numbers back up!

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1. Tap  magnifying glass in the top right of any page on Facebook.
2. Enter Patchers at the Lakeshore and choose our PALS group from the results.
3. Go to the Page.
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****PALS Rummage Sale
– Mark Your
Calendars!****

Get ready for the PALS Rummage Sale on Saturday, August 16, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This indoor event will be held at The Salvation Army, located at 1221 Shonot St., Muskegon.

With our indoor venue, weather will not be an issue—rain or shine, we'll be ready!

Be a buyer – Bring a friend and come check out all the items that will be available! You could find a Treasure!

Be a Seller – We still have spaces available! Contact Lynneta at 812-499-2378 (call or text) to reserve your space today!!

****Reserve Your Vendor Space Now!****

Don't miss out on this chance to sell your unwanted items and make some extra cash for your favorite hobbies, like quilting supplies, or to recoup funds spent during the All-Michigan Shop Hop. Rent a 10'x10' space for just \$25.00, which includes a \$20.00 donation to PALS and a \$5.00 donation to The Salvation Army. Bring your own tables or rent them for \$5.00 each from The Salvation Army.

****Setup Details:****

You can set up your space on Friday evening, August 15, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., or Saturday morning, August 16, starting at 8:30 a.m.

****Act Fast—Limited Spaces Available!****

Only 38 vendor spaces are available, so make your reservation NOW! Contact Lynneta Poff at 812-499-2378 via text or call or email her at OhSewNeta@gmail.com to secure your spot.

PALS and The Salvation Army will promote this event on their Facebook pages, and Lynneta will have flyers at the next guild meeting. Please help us distribute these flyers around town to maximize our reach.

****Make Your Payment at the Next Meeting:****

Fees for space and/or table rental can be made at the next guild meeting.



Helpful Hints and Tips

Make a simple homemade pressing spray by combining equal parts of water and vodka in a spray bottle, with the addition of a few drops of essential oil for fragrance if desired. Alternatively, a cornstarch-based spray can be made by mixing cornstarch with warm water and shaking well before each use.

Donation Quilts

Suzette Mattson, Deb Taylor



The July 7th PALS meeting saw 23 CUTE Donation quilts delivered to our Donation table! Thank you all so much!

Remember that we have batting (Text me ahead of time and I will cut the size you need – 586-337-4000).

Please leave your name with the text so I will know who is picking up what pieces.

We will be donating to 5-6 Muskegon-area groups this year and anything not in our hands by the September meeting will be counted toward the 2026 donation year.

Thank you so much for all your hard work. Come see some of our newer kits at the August picnic meeting.

Our next donation sew dates at Quilted Memories are:

Monday, August 11th—10-4

Monday, October 27th—10-4



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